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Decrees of the Plenary Council.

BALTIMORE, March 24.—The decrees enacted by the plenary council held in this city in November, 1884, which were sent to Rome for approval, and returned several months ago, were given to a few persons to-day in printed form. They extend over 400 pages and are in Latin. The American will to-morrow publish an extended summary of them.

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The opening decree is on faith, followed by decrees on ecclesiastical persons, divine worship, the sacraments, the education of the clergy, the instruction of Catholic youth, Christian doctrine, zeal for souls, church property, ecclesiastical courts and ecclesiastical tribunals. There is a preface exhorting all to faithfully observe the enactments of the second plenary council of Baltimore, and a final title regarding the promulgation and publication of these decrees. Some of the regulations are very eloquent in allusion to the dignity of the clergy. Sanctity and science are to be the objects of labor, and this is to insure them lastingly influence over the flocks entrusted to their care. It is recommended that a special altar be erected in every religious order should be erected for the reception of priests who have been suspended for serious faults who yet give hopes of correction. The vicar of the diocese is directed to be paid to the music adopted in the churches to add solemnity to the sacred services.

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One of the most important decrees is that concerning matrimony. It holds that since marriage was raised to the dignity of a sacrament, it is not to be dissolved by the administration of the sacrament was entrusted, to pass judgment on the validity, rights and obligations of marriage. No legal divorce has the slightest power before God to loose the bond of marriage, and a subsequent remarriage, though it may justify "separation" from bed and board, cannot loose the marriage tie, and the children of such a union are illegitimate. The church sometimes permits the marriage of Catholics with non-Catholics, the never does so without the deepest regret, and with the explicit understanding that the children of those parties must be brought up in the Catholic faith.

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